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SUBJECT: STANDARD REFERENCE GAS FOR POLLUTION CONTROL
MEASUREMENTS

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1. CITI PREFERENCE TO USE 10-LITER CAPACITY MANGANESE
STEEL HIGH PRESSURE CYLINDERS IN ORDER O SHIP STANDARD
REFERENCE GAS TO THE US, WILL REQUIRE DOT VARIANCE IF IT
IS A NON-DO APPROVED CONTAINER. DO HAS AGAIN
INDICATED, HOWEVER, THAT THE VARIANCE PROCEDURE WILL TAKE
AT LEAST ONE YEAR, AND CITI JUNE 1978 EXPECTATION TO MEET
THIS DEADLINE AND USE THESE CYLINDERS IS UNREALISTIC. DOT
IS FORWARDING IERTINENT INFORMATION TO POST VIA AIR MAIL.
ON VARIANCE PROCEDURES.

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2. ASSUMING CITI CONTINUED RELUCTANCE TO PURSUE OPTION
B OF REFTEL B, DEPARTMENT SUGGESTS THAT POST SURFACE THE
POSSIBILITY TO CITI THAT THEY PROCEED WITH VARIANCE PRO-
CEDURE IN ORDER TO ALLOW THEM TO USE THE CYLINDERS OF

THEIR CHOICE IN ORDER TO SHIP QUOTE SANDARD REFERENCE GAS
UNQUOTE, TO HE US IN THE FUTURE. WHILE THE PROCESS IS

UNDERWAY, HOWEVER, THEY COULD SIMULTANEOUSLY PROCEED WITH

DOT ON THE POSSIBILITY OF USING ALUMINUM CYLINDERS IN ORDER TO SHIP QUOTE WORKING STANDARD GAS UNQUOTE, IN ORDER TO KEEP THEIR PROGRAM GOING BY MEETING THEIR JUNE 1978 IMETABLE.

3. SHOULD CITI PREFER OPTION IN PARA 2, DOT SUGGESTS THAT CITI PROVIDE THEM WITH INFORMATION OF THEIR KNOWLEDGE ON THE USE OF ALUMINUM CYLINDERS IN THE US, WHILE PREPARING DOT VARIANCE FORMS FOR THE USE OF MAGNESIUM STEEL HIGH PRESSURE CYLINDERS. WITH REFERENCE TO ALUMINUM CYLINDERS, DOT WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING INFORMATION ON WHO CITI INTENDS TO SHIP COMPRESSED GAS TO IN THE US, WHERE WILL IT BE SHIPPED, FOR WHAT PURPOSE AND WHO USES ALUMINUM CYLINDERS. SIMULTANEOUSLY, CITI COULD PURSUE PROGRAM WITH THE APPROPRIATE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT AGENCY IN ORDER TO OBTAIN SPECIAL PERMISSION TO USE THE ALUMINUM CYLINDERS IN QUESTION. VANCE

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